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REMINDERS

WEAPONS - Government Issue weapons may be carried **ONLY** by those authorized and they must be in BDU, ACU, DCU, or the Army physical fitness uniform. Also, areas where weapons are prohibited are:

- TMC, PX, Gymnasium
- Commissary, Snack Bar, Bowling Center
- Recreation Center, Chapel, Theater
- Ben & Gerry's, AAFES Service Station

Weapons will be properly stacked under constant guard, and no closer than 20 feet from the entrance to any of the listed facilities.

SICK CALL PROCEDURES

- Report to the south west side of Bldg. 208 @ 0730 hrs.
- Obtain a sick call slip from your Team Leader and completely fill it out.
- Bring your ID card and a sick call slip to the pick up area and to the TMC.
- The CQ runner will pick you up from Bldg. 208 and take you directly to TMC. If you have a weapon, the CQ will secure it.
- When you have completed the sick call, call the CQ desk @ 3302, 3304, or 3306.
- Have copies made of your sick call slip and any other paperwork at Bldg 241. Turn the originals in to the CQ and keep a copy for yourself.
- Your weapon will be returned to you.

All traffic laws will be followed by all exercise soldiers, speed limit laws are strictly enforced by FHL Police and citations will be issued, this includes training areas.

Close to 400 U.S. Army Reserve Soldiers from coast to coast are honing their skills on the M-16 and 9 mm. pistol during the U.S. Army Reserve's Pac Survivor exercises going on here until August 28th.

Their able instructors at the Fort's ranges are courtesy the 104th Institutional Training Division out of Vancouver WA.

After checking on their shots, the Soldiers are analyzed on "zeroing in, trigger squeeze, breathing and adjusting their weapon sites," said the lead instructor, Sgt. Steven Philbrick, 7th Brigade, 104th. Zeroing in, the Sergeant explained, means that the troops had to hit inside a 4 cm. circle five out of six times.

Over at the 9 mm. pistol range, the tasks vary slightly. Once the Soldiers discharge their weapons, their responsibilities are geared toward recovering the "brass" (spent shells). They then remove their Kevlar and are frisked to make sure they have no ammo on their persons before heading across the road for consultations, according to Sgt. Maj. Jeff Harris, also of the 104th.

In between unloading 9 mm. pistol magazines, Spec. Steve Croslin, firearms trainer with the 104th, weighed in on the training he was receiving at Ft. Hunter Liggett.

"It's good training," Spc. Croslin told *The Daily Blade*. "It more than ever helps my knowledge in using the 9 mm."

Not that this was the Specialist's first go round with a weapon. About this time three years ago, he began a year-long deployment at Alasad Air Base, Iraq.

Referring to Iraq, the Specialist said, "It was a lot better than the media makes it out to be. When you're there it sucks, but when you're home, you want to go back."

Chaplain 1st Lt. Michael Langdon, is also at the range to address the spiritual needs of the Soldiers training at the firing range.

"When were you in Iraq?" he is heard asking a trooper in HMMWV.

"We live in the greatest country in the world and when a Soldier puts on the uniform and the war paint to keep our freedom, they appreciate the shot in the arm," Chaplain Langdon said.

The 1st Lieutenant stated that Soldiers often talk to him about what it feels like to be away from their families and eating MREs for a year. But when it comes to their spirituality, says Langdon, "They tell me that there are no atheists in fox holes."

Capt. Laura Suttinger, Madison Wis., gets sight alignment tips from Sgt. Thomas Simmons, W. Va. Both are from the Army Reserve Medical Command.

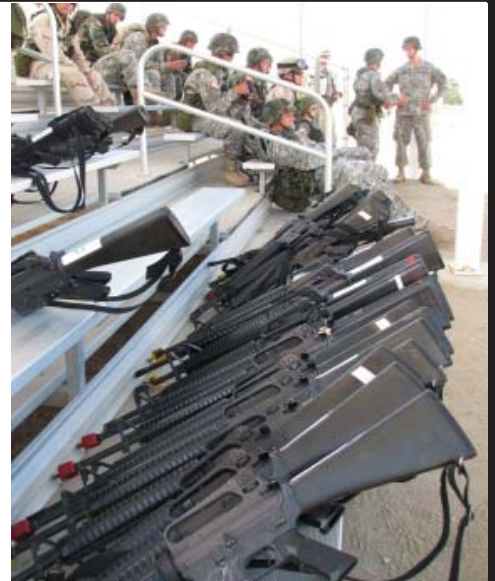


Photo by P. Ryan, PAO



Photo by Staff Sgt. Kent Ambrose

Reminder! NO ALCOHOL possession or consumption throughout the duration of Operation Pacific Survivor ZERO TOLERANCE



Staff Sgt. Thompson from the 155 Corps Support Battalion shot this great photo of a Soldier re-filling a water buffalo, drink up!



Sgt. Steven Philbrick from the 104TH DIVIT takes a big swig of water in order to keep up with the demands of being an instructor on the weapons qualifying ranges.

According to the CSM, if you are thirsty when you go out to the range it's already too late. Drink plenty of water, and it is also very important not to skip any meals. Skipping meals is also a major factor in dehydration, so drink lots of water and chow down on those MREs! Water buffalos are located at all training locations, **USE THEM** and stay healthy.



Chaplain 1ST Lt. Jinho Cho, of the 155th CSB, is spending time talking to Soldiers as they wait to take their turn at the weapons qualification range. The Chaplains maintain an open-door policy and encourage Soldiers to visit them anytime. Sometimes it is good to talk over concerns with an understanding ear. Also, what you say to the Chaplains stays with the Chaplains.

Chaplain 1st. Lt. Michael Langdon holds a nightly Bible study class in Bldg 208 1900-1930, it is non-denominational, and all faiths are welcome.

Visiting hours at the Mission of San Antonio de Padua have been extended to 2000 hrs this Tuesday. Soldiers are invited to visit this unique and historic site located on Fort Hunter Liggett, just down the road from the Hacienda. A continuous rotating shuttle service will be provided at parking lot # 207 by the Chaplain Team. This historic structure provides an actual glimpse into the past, and the unique role the California Missions had in early California history. Don't miss this opportunity.

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